



Travel Policy

Local Travel

Players and their parents/guardians are responsible for making all arrangements for local travel. The team and its coaches, managers, or other administrators will not arrange or coordinate local travel. It is the responsibility of the parents/guardians to ensure that the person transporting the athlete maintains proper safety and legal requirements including (but not limited to): a valid driver's license, automobile liability insurance, and a vehicle that is in safe working order.

Overnight Travel

During overnight trips, it is mandatory for athletes to stay with the team, at the team hotel, and participate in all team activities. Athletes will either be directly supervised by coaches or under the supervision of appointed parent chaperone(s). While at tournaments, typical team activities may include but are not limited to: game play, practice activities, break time between games, team meetings, and some team meals.

Families are responsible for covering costs associated with team travel. These costs include (but are not limited to):

- Athlete accommodations
- Coaches' car rental (if applicable)
- Coaches food allowance (\$40 per day per coach)
- Coach accommodations (male and female coaches in separate rooms)
- Coach transportation - fuel allowance or airfare

Expenses for travel will be calculated and divided by the number of athletes attending. Any money that is not used in the budget, will be used to subsidize the cost of future travel, used for a team wind-up, or refunded equally to the players that paid. Travel expenses are due two

weeks prior to the travel date. If there are extenuating circumstances, families are asked to communicate with coaching staff to make arrangements.

A minimum 2 weeks' notice prior to the travel date must be provided to the coach if an athlete is unable to attend a travel tournament. This is to ensure that adjustments to the budget can be made. If an athlete withdraws from a travel tournament after the 2 weeks' notice, the athlete will still be required to cover their cost of non-refundable fees.

Typically, athletes are to stay with 4 athletes per room. The exception will be if the hotel allows for more guests per room. Athletes will be assigned to specific rooms by the coaches. Players must stay and use the accommodation that is provided by the club and may not stay with parents or relatives or with their parents at the hotel. Athlete and coaches' rooms will be booked by the team manager while parents will be expected to book hotel rooms on their own. Coaches, or an appointed parent chaperone, will do a room check each night to make sure all players are in the correct room.

Athletes must act in a manner that represents the club. West Coast Volleyball Club expects:

- Players to have appropriate behaviour in the halls and rooms.
- Players to minimize disturbance to the hotel and other hotel guests.
- Players to respect and abide by the rules, expectations, and curfews outlined by the coaches.
- Players must not possess drugs, alcohol, vapes, cigarettes and any other dangerous substances.
- Players are not allowed to switch rooms with each other.
- Players are to abide by all rules and Codes of Conduct generally in effect.
- Safety comes first for all participants; players must have a buddy.
- Players are not to leave the competition venue, hotel, restaurant, or any other place which the team has gathered without the permission/knowledge of the Head Coach.
- Players will be respectful to all teammates, parents, officials, coaches, and players from other teams while traveling with West Coast Volleyball Club.

Failure to comply with any of the above policies will result in disciplinary action at the Coaches and Club's discretion. This may include (but is not limited to) sitting out for a game(s), a suspension from the team, or a complete removal from the team and Club.